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***MEDIA ADVISORY***  
***SAPD Chief to Announce New Crime Initiative***

**When:** Thursday, June 8<sup>th</sup>  
12:00 Noon (approximate time)

**Where:** City Council Chambers  
Municipal Plaza Building  
103 S. Main Ave.

News Conference Immediately Following Council Presentation at:

Media Briefing Center  
City Hall  
100 Military Plaza

**What:** Chief William McManus will introduce to City Council the creation of a Crime Response Unit (CRU) Initiative.

This initiative is designed to proactively address violent crime and gang-related concerns in our community through assertive and large scale crime reduction tactics. The CRU will utilize internal and external support to achieve its goals. The emphasis will be to identify and target specific crime problems and respond with a multi-agency enforcement effort.

Traditionally, gang-related violent crime increases during summer months. The CRU will allow a large cohesive tactical group capable of operating in a decentralized yet coordinated mode to address this violent crime and related activity.

The internal support will include but not be limited to our community-oriented policing officers with SAFFE (San Antonio Fear-Free Environment), Gang Unit, SWAT, Narcotics, ROP (Repeat Offenders Program), Vice, Homicide, and Juvenile.

External support will include the Bexar County Sheriff's Office, Bexar County District Attorney's Office, Bexar County Probation and Parole, Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA), U.S. Marshal's Office, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), University and School District Police, Park Police, and surrounding law enforcement agencies.

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